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In re Application of:
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Before: Fred A. Silverberg
Office of Patent Legal Administration

For: METHOD FOR REMOVING
METAL COMPOUNDS FROM
WASTE WATER

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FURTHER RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR INFORMATION

Sir:

In further response to the Requirement for Information mailed November 24, 2003, applicant updates his response of March 12, 2004 and provides the following information.

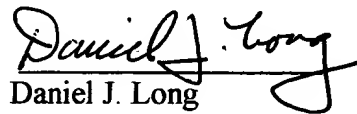
To further update the status of the Chemical Separation Technology v. United States litigation, applicant has provided the undersigned with the attached Order (1 page) dated June 1, 2004 which updates the current status of this litigation. (The undersigned again points out that he is not representing applicant in this litigation.) The last date of October 18, 2004 on the attached Order has been docketed, and another status update will be promptly provided to the Office thereafter.

Applicant believes that the foregoing fully complies with the Requirement for Information. If any other matters are still believed to be at issue, the Office is urged to contact the undersigned.

Applicant continues his request that action on this application be suspended under 37 C.F.R. 103(a) until the completion of the litigation. The reason for this request is that applicant is an independent inventor and has only limited resources to devote to this application. The cost of duplicating efforts which may already be underway in the litigation may be burdensome or may be a hardship for applicant.

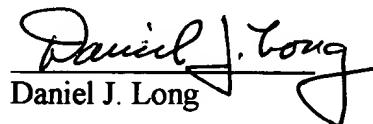
To confirm the undersigned's telephone conversation of June 3, 2004 with Eugenia Jones, it is understood that no response by the applicant is required to the office action of April 12, 2004. It is understood that the office action was addressed to the petitioner.

Respectfully submitted,


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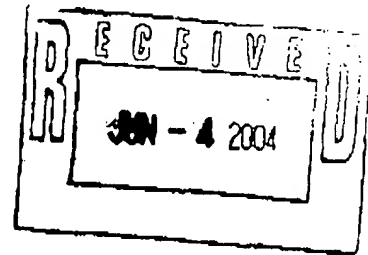
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Plaintiffs,

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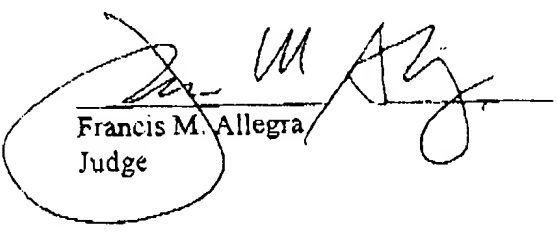
ORDER

On May 28, 2004, a status conference was held in this case, in which Louis M. Tarasi, Jr., for plaintiff, and Susan L.C. Mitchell, for defendant, were participants. In accordance with the discussion held therein, the court adopts the following schedule for trial and pre-trial filings in this matter:

1. On or before July 9, 2004, the parties shall exchange exhibits and information on witnesses, including expert witnesses, to be used at trial. See RCFC, Appendix A, ¶ 13(a) and (b).
2. On or before August 6, 2004, plaintiff shall file the following:
 - (a) Its Memorandum of Contentions of Fact and Law, containing a summary of plaintiff's basic factual contentions, together with any applicable legal authority. See Appendix A, ¶ 14(a).
 - (b) A separate statement setting forth a list of witnesses to be called at trial, pursuant to Appendix A, ¶ 15.
 - (c) A separate statement setting forth a list of exhibits to be offered at trial, pursuant to Appendix A, ¶ 16.

3. On or before September 10, 2004, defendant shall file the following:
 - (a) Its response to plaintiff's Memorandum of Contentions of Fact and Law. See Appendix A, ¶ 14(b).
 - (b) A separate statement setting forth a list of witnesses to be called at trial, pursuant to Appendix A, ¶ 15.
 - (c) A separate statement setting forth a list of exhibits to be offered at trial, pursuant to Appendix A, ¶ 16.
4. On or before September 24, 2004, the parties shall file *in limine* motions addressing any other issues either wishes to resolve before the commencement of trial.
5. On October 8, 2004, a pre-trial conference will be held telephonically in this case, at 2:00 p.m. (EST). The court's telephone conferencing service will contact the parties shortly before the scheduled conference time.
6. Trial in this case will commence on October 18, 2004, in Pittsburgh, P.A.
7. The court will make arrangements to refer this matter to a settlement judge for timely consideration.

IT IS SO ORDERED.


Francis M. Allegra
Judge